

## CROWDS GATHER IN WASHINGTON TO SEE SOLONS BEGIN BUSINESS

Congress and Great Convention To Further Cause of National Suffrage For Women Will Open Today In Capital City

EOURBON COMMITTEE TO MEET TOMORROW

Paramount Issue of Congressional Session Is Conceded To Be Preparedness For Defense of Country and Merchant Marine

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, December 6.—Hundreds arrived here by every train yesterday and the city is crowded in anticipation of the opening of Congress today, the opening today of the convention to advance the cause of woman's suffrage through constitutional amendment, and the Tuesday opening of the sessions of the Democratic national committee.

Both the house and the senate Democrats completed their organizations on Saturday, the main matter of contention to be decided being that of steps to apply the cloture in the senate. This was settled by a resolution not to make the matter of the cloture a party measure.

### National Defense Big Issue

It is generally recognized that the paramount issue of this session will be the question of preparedness for national defense and the means whereby the American merchant marine may be reestablished and extended. The first of these questions will be kept away from partisanship if possible, while the second is to be made the leading measure of the administration, second to the question of preparedness.

The first resolution which will be presented in the house will be the Susan E. Anthony Resolution for the amendment of the Constitution to be presented by Representative Mondell of Wyoming. This is the suffrage resolution, for which the leading suffragists in the country are here prepared to work.

### Other Important Matters

Other important matters that will be taken in the house deal with rural credits, amendments to the Sherman Act to aid the American foreign export trade, Philippine conservation, national prohibition and the tariff.

The senate will be called upon to deal immediately with the Nicaragua and the Colombian Treaties and the Haitian Convention.

## MESOPOTAMIA REVERSE DISAPPOINTS BRITISH

This Expedition Was Regarded With Pride By People

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, December 6.—The news of the check which the British Anglo-Indian expedition has received in Mesopotamia, just as it appeared certain that Bagdad would be captured and occupied, has come as a great disappointment to the British public, who had regarded this expedition from the Persian Gulf as the one bright spot in the war, so far as the operations of the British on land are concerned.

General Townshend is safely entrenched at Kut-el-Amara, where he is awaiting reinforcements, which are to be sent to him and the advance upon Bagdad resumed.

The effect of the reverse upon public opinion throughout the British possessions in the East is generally deplored by the press.

Yesterday was a day of unusual calm along both the West and East fronts, no actions worthy of note having taken place.

## FILIPINO GRADUATES WRESTLE WITH BOREAS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, December 6.—The Filipino steamer Rio Pasig, from the Orient by way of Honolulu, arrived yesterday, after a stormy passage, the vessel weathering one gale that blew at eighty-four miles an hour. The Rio Pasig is offered to Filipino graduates of the Insular Nautical School.

## PEACE FOR GERMANY ON TERMS OF ALLIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, December 6.—Discussing the peace rumors from the Continent, which apparently will not dawn, the London Times says, editorially: "Germany can have peace with us now as she shows that she desires it, but only on the terms to be dictated by the Allies."

## GREECE ADVISES ENTENTE POWERS SHE IS FRIENDLY

Premier Skoufoudis Informs Allies Reply To Their Demands Will Be Satisfactory

## RUMANIA IS AWAITING RUSSIAN CONCENTRATION

When Force in Balkans Is Sufficient She Will Jump Into Conflict

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, December 6.—Following a cabinet meeting yesterday in Athens, according to reports, that have reached here by way of Paris, the ministers of the Entente were notified by Premier Skoufoudis that the reply of Greece to the demands presented by the Allies will be made at once and will be found satisfactory to the Entente.

This assurance comes at a time when the uncertainty of the attitude of both Greece and Rumania has caused the greatest impatience throughout this country and France.

Press Urged Prompt Action  
The press has been urging the government to take action against Greece that would be unmistakable, stern action that would demonstrate to King Constantine the fact that the Allies are determined to secure satisfactory assurances from him that the friendly neutrality of Greece would continue.

Yesterday it was reported that new proposals had been made to the Greek government and that there was hope that an agreement would be reached shortly. The news of the new proposals and of Premier Skoufoudis' announcement to the Entente ministers came almost together.

Rumania Aligns With Entente  
It is thought here that Rumania now is waiting only the concentration of a sufficiently powerful Russian force in Roumania and enough British and French in Southern Serbia to make victory in the Balkans possible and ensure it with Rumanian aid. That Rumania will enter the war with the allies before the end of the year is now regarded as a certainty.

Meanwhile the Austro-Germans are rounding up the various scattered bands of Serbians left on their own soil and are pressing the invasion of Montenegro. There is considerable fighting yet going on in Serbia, the various bands carrying on guerrilla fighting against their pursuers and surrendering only when no possible chance of escape remains. The Montenegrins are holding the Austrians along the great part of their front.

## LINER MINNESOTA HELPLESS AT SEA

Tugs Hurry To Aid of Steamer Casting About Off Coronado Islands

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN DIEGO, December 6.—The Great Northern liner Minnesota, which has been making her way slowly back to port with crippled engines, the result of an attempt on the part of three members of her crew to wreck the vessel, last night was wallowing helplessly some twenty-five miles south of Coronado Islands.

The huge liner, the largest under the American flag, appears to be wholly out of control. Assistance is being hurried to her and powerful tug will have lines on the vessel by this morning.

No further information as to the plot of which the Minnesota is the alleged victim has been given out, either by the Coast representatives of the Great Northern or from the head office. The federal authorities are completely advised, however, and are conducting a rigorous investigation even before the liner returns to port.

## JAPANESE MINISTRY READY FOR ATTACK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
TOKIO, December 6.—At the joint session of the houses of parliament to be held here on the seventh, Count Okuma, premier; Baron Ishii, minister of foreign affairs; and Tokikoshi Takefumi, minister of communication, will address the members. It is anticipated that the government will be attacked by the members of the Kokumintokai and the three ministers to reply to any and all questions raised by the opponents of the administration.

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## Chief of Boy Scouts Quits Organization

Says Militarism Has Forced Woodcraft Into Second Place In National Council

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, December 6.—War has broken out in the higher ranks of the Boy Scouts of America and Ernest Seton-Thompson, the chief scout, has resigned.

Mr. Thompson, who had much to do with the founding of the Scouts, and who has been actively identified with the work for a number of years, declares in his letter of resignation that the main object of the organization has been lost sight of and that today militarism is first and woodcraft second in the workings of the national council.

Mr. Thompson has announced that he is forming a Woodcraft League, into the ranks of which he invites all Boy Scouts to enroll.

## BULGARIANS OCCUPY MONASTIR IN SERBIA

King Peter Carried In Stretcher During Retreat Along Drina

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BELGRADE, December 6.—The news of the occupation of Monastir by the Bulgarians, reported from Salonika, has been officially confirmed.

The Serbians of the garrison retreated west towards the Albanian line, pursued by the Bulgarians, who pressed the Serbs so closely that they abandoned a huge gun to the Bulgarians.

Reports from Sofia state that the statement made by Serbian prisoners is that King Peter was carried in a stretcher during the Serbian retreat along the Drina River, horse travel having been found impossible for the health broken, feeble and aged monarch.

## YOKOHAMA WELCOMES ADMIRAL WINTERHALTER

'Old Glory' Combined With Rising Sun At Celebration

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
TOKYO, December 6.—The officers of the U. S. S. Saratoga, the representative of the American navy at the naval review in Yokohama Bay, were welcomed by the mayor of Yokohama yesterday at a garden party given in their honor. Mayor Ando, in his address, expressing the pleasure that it gave him and the residents of Yokohama to welcome Admiral Winterhalter and his staff.

A grish dance, in which more than a hundred girls participated, featured the Stars and Stripes combined with the Rising Sun, while American flags waved everywhere.

Thousands of Japanese visited the Saratoga yesterday at her anchorage, the warship being termed "the messenger of good will towards Japan from the United States."

## TOTAL ATTENDANCE EIGHTEEN MILLIONS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, December 6.—The total attendance at the Exposition that closed at midnight on Saturday has been 18,871,957. The attendance on the last day was much the greatest of any one day of the fair, the turn-out at midnight showing that 458,538 persons had entered during the day.

## CARRANZA WILL ENTER CAPITAL ON NEW YEAR'S

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
MONTREY, Mexico, December 6.—Preparations are under way for the triumphal entry of Provisional President Carranza into the City of Mexico on New Year's Day. A committee has been appointed to fix the responsibility for the murders of President Madero, of Gonzales and of the Governor of Chihuahua.

## ONE HUNDRED INJURED WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
ST. LOUIS, December 6.—A head-on collision on the Illinois Central rail road, some twenty-five miles south of this city, between two passenger trains occurred last night, the casualties being very many.

Only one passenger was killed, but upwards of a hundred are injured, many of them seriously.

## DISCONTENTED GERMANS BLAMED FOR EXPLOSION

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
COPENHAGEN, December 6.—A Reuter despatch announces that a large ammunition factory in Halle, Prussian Saxony, was blown up in a tremendous explosion on Saturday, the killed numbering several hundreds, employees and residents in the vicinity of the factory. The German authorities suspect that some discontented workmen are responsible for the explosion.

## BRITISH CRUISER WAITS TO CAPTURE AMERICAN VESSEL

Former Dutch Steamer Loaded With Cotton For Denmark Is Threatened

## OWNER ASKS GOVERNMENT TO GIVE SAFE CONDUCT

London Claims Registry Is Fraudulent and That Cargo Is For Germans

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
GALVESTON, TEXAS, December 6.—A British cruiser is in the offing, lying off this port apparently awaiting the sailing of the steamer Ausabti, now under American registry and formerly the Dutch steamer Laura, which is here loaded with cotton baled to Denmark.

The Ausabti owners, The American Transatlantic Company, of which Richard Wagner is the president, have applied to the secretary of state for an assurance of safe passage for their ship and the sailing of the steamer is awaiting the receipt of this.

The British admiralty claims that the American registry of the Ausabti is fraudulent and that the vessel has been purchased by Germans, with German money, and that her cargo is destined for consumption in Germany.

The Ausabti is in the identical position of the Hocking, of the same company, and the Genesis, which the British have already seized.

## TEN SHIPS UNDER 'SPURIOUS' REGISTRY

A deal for putting ten to twelve Danish, German, Norwegian and Greek steamers of various sizes under American registry was made by Richard Wagner early last June at Washington and was frustrated for a time by the refusal of the United States Government to permit it. It was asserted by Mr. Wagner that he had purchased the vessels to form a fleet for the newly formed American Transatlantic Company, with offices at 17 Battery Place, New York, of which he was the president.

It was understood in Washington that not one dollar of American money had been invested in the company and that the sum, alleged to have been more than \$1,000,000, had been provided by Hugo Stinnes, who is well known at Hamburg and Mulheim as the owner of a fleet of freight steamers.

Mr. Wagner said that the steamers had been renamed Gotland, Lapland, Gulland, Vestland, Greenland, Nylund, Vinland, Finland, Djursland, Cleveland, Sydland and Laura. He told the federal authorities in Washington that when he visited Denmark last January an opportunity was offered to him to obtain an interest in several steamers which, after investigation, he decided to take up. He said the idea was to transfer the steamers to American registry and trade under the Stars and Stripes with South America and other neutral countries where freights could be obtained.

There was some trouble in Copenhagen between the vendors and the Danish government, Mr. Wagner said, and he afterward purchased the steamers through Albert Jensen, whom he met in Germany.

The American Transatlantic Company was incorporated last March in Delaware with a capital of \$2,000,000, and Mr. Wagner said that every dollar subscribed was American money. Eugene T. Chamberlain, United States commissioner of navigation, objected to the transfer of the steamers purchased by Mr. Wagner from Jensen because they were not entered in the official Danish registry of merchant vessels or at Lloyd's. Investigation showed that they had flown the Danish flag only a short while and had been purchased by Jensen from other countries.

It was also discovered that Hugo Stinnes had placed considerable capital at Jensen's disposal in January, when Jensen was a coal merchant in Copenhagen. Then Jensen was imprisoned in the spring by the Danish Government for smuggling copper from Norway into Germany. The funds provided by Stinnes were handled by Theodor Lehr of Rotterdam.

The transfer of the steamers purchased by the American Transatlantic Company through Richard Wagner, its president, was held up until July 31, when Acting Secretary of Commerce Sweet notified him that certificates would be granted to him as president of the company for the eleven steamships that had been bought in Europe to engage in transatlantic freighting. The names given the ships when entered for American registry are: Allagun, Ausabti, Hocking, Kauka, Maunee, Seneca, Spyrus, Valaunee, Winnebago and Winneconne.

## TEACHERS ON MAUI ARE OPPOSED TO LAW

The Maui teachers' association does not like the territorial teachers' pension law passed by the last legislature, and has gone on record as declaring that the appropriation made for carrying out the provisions of the law is entirely inadequate. At the next meeting of the teachers resolutions will be drafted and passed which will be submitted to the next legislature, urging necessary amendments to the present law.

## URGES MORE NAVY PACIFIC DEFENSES

Chief of Staff of Atlantic Fleet Says Islands Are Neglected

At a "preparedness" meeting of the American Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers held recently in New York, the necessity of fortifying naval bases in the Pacific not only for defensive use, but to prevent them being utilized by a possible enemy, was pointed out by Capt. A. P. Niblack, U. S. N., the chief of staff of the Atlantic fleet, in a paper entitled "The Maintenance of the Fleet."

Captain Niblack says this important matter has too long been ignored by our people and congress and that there is lacking in the country an appreciation of the vital necessity for this fortification.

Captain Niblack said: "Geography, acquisition of a fleet, its maintenance, its use in the Pacific with Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Tutuila, Midway Island and Guam as stepping stones across the Pacific, and by their possession imposed on us the same policy as if they were actually in the hands of an enemy of rival, because they could not be sunk, and if lost would be a right line of their geography will turn them against us, just as it turned them away from others and to us."

"We cannot evade the cost of adequately fortifying a naval base in the island of Guam and in a lesser degree in the island of Tutuila, in the Archipelago of Alaska and at Midway Island, just as we have begun the great work in the Hawaiian Islands and at Hahona at the Pacific end of the Panama Canal, the reason being, if there were no other to prevent their being used against us as commercial supply stations of naval bases by an enterprising rival or enemy."

"With adequate supplies of coal and oil at Honolulu, Midway and Guam we may attain the desired mobility of the fleet even in war, provided we adequately fortify Guam and Midway. The cost would be less than that of the battleships and equipment means less than the cost of two battleships and without which the battleships are restricted to operations from bases improvised after war is declared. The money spent annually in soda water, chewing gum and candy if spent on reasonable military necessities would put us in the hated class of the 'prepared.' The cost for the day of the war now going on in the world would secure the Pacific Coast from invasion from all time."

## PICTURE BRIDE SLAIN NEAR HER HOME IN KONA

Head Is Crushed In With Large Piece of Lava

At the criminal sessions held at Kailua, Kona, Hawaii, presided over by Judge Matthews, there developed one of the worst cases of the picture bride fallacy.

A young Japanese named Gotto met his picture bride on arrival at Honolulu from the Land of the Cherry Blossoms and took her to his new home in South Kona, where, according to the advocates of the picture bride idea, they should have lived happily ever after.

As a matter of fact it took but one week for her to discover her "soul mate" in another Japanese living in the vicinity and she immediately took up her residence with her new-found friend.

Their joy, however, was brought to an abrupt termination by the discovery of her dead body on a trail near her home, her head having been crushed in with a large piece of lava. Young Gotto was arrested and accused of the crime, but was dismissed owing to lack of direct evidence.

## COUNTY CANNOT BID ON LOAN FUND WORKS

This Is Gist of An Opinion By Attorney-General

The proposition of Harry Murray, manager of the Honolulu water and sewer system, to bid on the improvements to be made by the department under the provisions of the loan act has been turned down in an opinion by Attorney-General Stainback, rendered to the loan fund commission.

Under the law there is no provision for a county to bid to do work let by the commission, but bids must be called for first and then it is up to the commission to decide whether or no the bids are proper ones. Should tenders in the opinion of the commission be too high then a county may offer to do the work.

Manager Murray is of the opinion that the work could be done a great deal cheaper by the department than any outsider could do it, as the department would not figure on any profit while a contractor would always tack on a reasonable profit to his bid. What will be done with the bids on the Puna sewer extension when received will be determined by the figures obtained. Should the bids be more than the appropriation of \$17,500 allotted for the work then Murray will attempt to have the commission give the job to him to do with his own force.

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEFFERSON McCARN QUILTS ON JANUARY 1

Federal Counsel For Hawaii Confirms Report That Washington Has His Resignation

## HORACE W. VAUGHAN MAY BE PROMOTED TO OFFICE

Retiring Official Either Will Run For United States Senate Or Practice Law

JEFFERSON McCARN has resigned as United States district attorney for Hawaii and his tenure of office will expire on the last day of this month.

McCarn made this admission to The Advertiser yesterday afternoon. His successor has not yet been appointed but it is almost certain that Assistant District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan will succeed to the position.

From time to time there have been rumors of both the removal and resignation of McCarn, but on Saturday The Advertiser received authoritative advice from Washington that McCarn had resigned. The district attorney yesterday, after some hesitancy, confirmed the despatch to this paper. McCarn will leave shortly for the mainland and home, his family having already preceded him by several months.

Speaking of his plans for future McCarn said last evening that he might possibly enter the race for the United States Senate from Tennessee. There is now on in his state a Democratic primary in which Former Governor Malcolm Rice Patterson and Kenneth Douglas McKeller, at present a congressman from that state are running for the regular Democratic nomination.

In case the election, which is a run-off between the two men, goes in favor of McKeller, McCarn will not run, but should the other man win it is more than probable that McCarn will make the race for the senate. He will place himself in the hands of his friends to decide for him what is best.

McCarn further said that he was not in line for any other federal position, so far as he knew, but that he would go back to the practice of his profession, failing to make the run for the upper house of Congress.

## U. S. S. Nereus Here From Orient

With 600 tons of hemp and 700 tons of lumber and miscellaneous freight the United States Navy collier Nereus, Capt. J. S. Hutchinson, arrived yesterday morning from Manila, Shanghai, Nagasaki and Laysan Island. She brought Max Schlemmer, son Eric and Harold Brand from Laysan. She sailed from Manila October 27 and from Nagasaki November 21, an hour ahead of the transport Sheridan, which arrived yesterday afternoon. The two steamers ran closely, but the Nereus' time was better, as she stopped about five hours at Laysan. They were not in sight of each other, but maintained radio communication.

No orders have been received for the Nereus' sailing. She will take water and supplies here, but no coal, as she filled her bunkers at Nagasaki. The blockade of the Panama Canal will prevent her taking the usual route to New York and Boston and Norfolk. She will go either to San Francisco or to the Atlantic via Magellan.

## FORMER HONOLULUAN DIES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Mrs. W. J. Coon of 1516 Emma street yesterday received a cablegram informing her of the death of her son, Charles Henry Nicoll, at Los Angeles. The deceased was born here twenty-nine years ago and up to four years ago was employed as a clerk in the Bank of Hawaii. A brother of the deceased, M. A. Nicoll, is a resident of Hilo.

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## TERRITORY CANNOT AID KALEAKALA ROAD PLAN

There is a doubt if the proposed road to Haleakala will be built as soon as was anticipated. The attorney general has just rendered an opinion in which it is stated that the Territory can not legally assist the county in such work for other work which will call on the county funds, it is doubtful if the county can at this time attempt the project.

## CHINESE CRUISER SCENE OF REVOLT AT SHANGHAI: BIG BATTLE FOLLOWS

Crew of Warship Opens Fire On Other Vessels of Navy and Shell Arsenal, While Land Force Moves Against Latter Depot

## PEKING ANNOUNCES THAT REVOLUTION IS QUELLED

Duel Between Mutineer and Other Ships Create Panic in Woosung River and Whole City Is Thrown Into a Great Turmoil

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PEKING, December 6.—A revolutionary outbreak took place at Shanghai last night, the crew of the cruiser Chao-Ho mutinying and opening fire on other vessels of the Chinese navy anchored nearby, as well as shelling the arsenal. Simultaneously a land movement was launched against the arsenal.

After the river battle had proceeded for some hours, the cruiser was recaptured, while the land attack was repulsed.

An official statement made by the government early this morning announces that the revolt has been crushed in the bud and that peace has been restored.

## BATTLE IN RIVER BRAGGES AN HOUR

SHANGHAI, December 6.—Mutiny broke out aboard the Chinese protected cruiser Chao-Ho last night and for an hour a battle was maintained between the cruiser, anchored in the Woosung river, and two other Chinese warships, the cruiser Hai-Chi and the gunboat Tung Ching.

The guns of the Chao-Ho were also directed against the arsenal in the Manchu City, some of the shells falling far short and exploding in the French Concession.

## Land Force Cooperates

At the same time as the mutiny aboard the Chao-Ho broke out, revolutionists ashore attempted to storm the arsenal.

The duel between the six-inch guns of the Chao-Ho and the eight-inch guns of the Hai-Chi created a panic along the crowded river, while the fighting ashore threw the whole city into a turmoil, wild rumors of a general revolution being current.

Apparently the outbreak in the navy is confined to the Chao-Ho, the crews of the other warships here manning their guns willingly and showing no hesitation in the attack upon the rebel ship.

## Ships Resume Battle

The plan, according to what can be learned, is to shell the Chao-Ho this morning and sink her if the mutineers refuse to surrender, the firing between the ships being resumed at two o'clock.

Representatives of The Associated Press attempted to reach the arsenal by launch during the lull in the fighting, but were intercepted by the gunboat Tung Ching, the officers of which ordered the launch to return to the foreign settlements.

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